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## Leadership



*VERY* real missionary is a leader. He is not only to have an "understanding of the times and to know what Israel ought to do;" not only to point the way to God and heaven, but he is to walk the way before those whom he would lead to God. "Be ye followers of me as I am of Christ" said Paul. He felt that a woe would rest upon him, if he did not bring men to Christ. God gave Jesus as "A leader and a commander" to all the people of all the world, and He made "the Captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings." Christ is the missionary's example of leadership. Moses also was chosen of God as "A leader and a commander" of His people Israel. He trained him for leadership, not in a military academy, but in a school of hardship and self denial. We can hardly appreciate the trial to the proud heir to the throne of Egypt of being a servant to his father-in-law, caring for his sheep—a work that was despised by his adopted people. The experiences through which he passed made Moses "very meek above all men that were upon the face of the earth." Here is the source of his great power in leadership. Says the Scripture, "The meek will He guide in judgment, and the meek will He teach His way." One is meek who is patient under provocation or who has become mild through discipline or suffering. All trials that come to the missionary from whatever source are designed by God to develop habits of firmness and gentleness which are the fundamental principles of leadership. Moses met alienation, bitterness, envy and jealousy in the spirit of Christ. He came to love Israel more than his own life. When Israel sinned God told Moses he would remove them, and make of him a great nation. But Moses' love for erring Israel was so great that he asked God to blot his name out of His Book rather than that Israel should be lost. This is the spirit of the true missionary. He counts not his life dear unto himself in his interest for souls. God calls some to stand at the head of His work in certain fields or departments. It is through these leaders in a special sense that He desires to manifest Himself. Their hearts are to be fixed, "immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord." To this end the records of the life and work of holy men whom God has chosen as leaders are given in His Word. These records are to be studied and emulated.

—FREDERICK GRIGGS.

## Transforming Power of the Gospel

Yang Cheok Siew was brought up in a Christian home, but three years ago he fell into bad company and became an addict to the opium habit. He kept the matter in great secrecy so much so that neither his wife nor his closest friends knew anything about it. He would come to church every now and then, and to all outward appearances was living an exemplary Christian life. But some three months ago his conscience began to hurt him, and somehow his wife came to know about his secret sin.

Now his wife who is a member of our church was of course very much perplexed upon receiving this information. She endeavored as best she could to remonstrate with her erring husband, but all her efforts were without avail. Finally realizing that she could not do anything in her own strength she appealed to the elder and one of the deacons. At her request they both went to see her husband who made all sorts of excuses when his sin was pointed out. But they reminded him of the fact that while he could hide his sin from man, it was impossible for him to hide it from God. He then broke down and confessed that he had trespassed God's law, and desired the brethren to pray for him. Prayer was offered in his behalf after which the elder read a few verses of Scripture showing that God freely forgives those who sincerely turn away from their evil ways.

Mr. Yang pledged then and there that by the help of God he would rid himself of the depraved habit which had enslaved him for so long. Today he rejoices in the salvation that God has so graciously bestowed upon him a sinner.

Y. H. PHANG.

Ipho, F. M. S.

## Activities of the Soonan Home Missionary Society

The Soonan Missionary Society is composed of many workers and lay-members. They have united in service for their fellow men and have been greatly blessed in their labor. Soonan is surrounded by seven different villages and so our people decided to work these in a systematic way. Seven bands of men and seven bands of women were organized and these bands (one each of men and of women) went to these different villages to distribute literature. On Mondays and Thursdays they visited and opened cottage meetings in the homes of our believers to which unbelieving neighbors were invited. Many decided for Christ and soon began to attend church. As a result, within the last two months from thirty to forty new Sabbath school members were won and four extra Sabbath school classes had to be organized for these new converts. Entire families have decided for Christ. They have destroyed their idols and now are all attending church.

From the *Chosen Union* "Church Compass"

## Read For Yourself

It is vitally important that we establish and patronize our own schools. The following quotations from the Spirit of Prophecy should be carefully read.

"If ever we are to work in earnest, it is now. The enemy is pressing in all sides, like a flood. Only the power of God can save our children from being swept away by the tide of evil. The responsibility resting upon parents, teachers, and church-members, to do their part in co-operation with God, is greater than words can express."—*Counsel to Teachers*, p. 166.

"The training of the young is a matter of highest importance. Every child born into the home is a sacred trust. God says to the parents, 'Take this child, and bring it up for Me, that it may be an honor

to My name, and a channel through which My blessings shall flow to the world.'" Id. p. 145.

"We have been warned again and again that the character of the education that has been current in the world cannot stand the test of the word of God. The subject of education is one that should interest every Seventh-day Adventist." Id. p. 401.

"The Lord would use the church school as an aid to the parents in educating and preparing their children for this time before us. Then let the church take hold of the school work in earnest, and make it what the Lord desires it to be." Id. p. 167.

J. L. CUMMINS, in "The School Observer" (P. I.).

## M. V. Progress in Chosen

Last year was the banner year for the number of Bible Year certificates issued. As you will remember this was the 25th Anniversary of the organization of the Missionary Volunteer Department and special bookmarks were issued to those who read their Bible through during the anniversary year. Here in our Chosen Union 150 Bible Year certificates were issued. Also 533 Reading Course certificates have been granted to those reading the Reading Course Books as outlined by the Missionary Volunteer Department. When we realize that all the book stores are filled with destructive, cheap literature, it encourages us to know that many of our youth are reading the good books recommended to them by the Union Missionary Volunteer Department. The following table will give at a glance the gains that have been made in these special items over the previous biennial period:

	1929-30	1931-32	Gain
Bible Year .....	32	216	575
Reading Course .....	112	533	376
Standard of Attainment .....	18	35	94
Friend Pins .....	28	166	493

R. S. WATTS, (from *Biennial Report*).

## A Tithe Testimony

With the busy, eventful year of 1932 recently closed, we are facing a busier, more eventful year. In view of what awaits us, if we do not have on the whole armor of the Lord we should buckle it on immediately for the conflict which is facing the remnant church, and obey our Captain's orders. He is the one who commanded, "Bring ye all the tithe into the storehouse . . . and all the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land, or of the fruit of the tree, is the Lord's: it is holy unto the Lord." If you are obeying orders you have a right to expect victory, for our Captain never lost a battle. It is good to be on the Lord's side. There is nothing that will give you more courage for the conflict than faithfulness in stewardship. Money affects a person's Christian experience for good or evil. Jesus recognized this when He said, "How hardly shall they that have riches enter into the kingdom of God."

A brother came into the office recently and related this incident. A certain brother in the church is a large rancher. He grows alfalfa seed. He is very faithful in supporting the cause of God in tithe and mission offerings. He had a beautiful crop of alfalfa seed worth \$4,000 that was ripening and an early rain would destroy it. He explained the situation to the church and we joined him in taking the situation earnestly on our hearts in prayer that the Lord would delay the rain until our brother could harvest his crop. He got his seed all under shelter at noon, and it began to rain at two o'clock. God sealed up the heavens until our brother could save his crop, and

that means a splendid tithe check and added mission offerings from our church.

—C. C. MATTISON, in "Pacific Union Recorder."

## Laymen Preach the Message

Our message has entered a new place. Chyung Ha Tong, away up on the border of North Pyenyang Province. The Presbyterians have been working in that territory for years and their workers have often visited this village, but they never accepted the gospel until recently when two of our lay brethren from one of our small companies thirty li away went to this village to preach the message. The people at once accepted Jesus as their Saviour and also began to keep the Sabbath. Coming direct from heathenism they forsook their idols which they had worshipped for years and destroyed them.

From the "Church Compass."

## Church Schools Are Important

In our general promotion plans for Christian education, we are placing renewed emphasis upon the importance of the elementary school. Our church schools constitute the solid foundation on which the superstructure of secondary and college work is built. If the enrollment of the church schools decreases, the influence of this will be felt later on in a decreased secondary and college enrollment. We are therefore urging our secretaries everywhere to put forth every effort to arouse the parents and the workers of this denomination to the importance of the church school in our program of Christian education.

—W. I. SMITH, Associate Secretary, General Conference Department of Education.

## The Soonan Dorcas Society

This Dorcas Society was organized a short time ago and the members took a great interest in bringing cloth, cotton and cash, in order to make garments for the poor and the needy. They meet every Sunday night, old and young being eager to help with this good work. As the poor are visited and as help is rendered they inquire as to where we have come from and who it is that is sending them these garments. We tell them that we are representatives of the Soonan Dorcas Society of the Seventh-day Adventist church. At once they tell us that we truly are Christians and begin to speak highly of our church. During the past few months over seventy new Sabbath school members have been added to our Sabbath schools and it is safe to say that more than half of these have been won as the result of the work of our Dorcas Society.

From the *Chosen Union* "Church Compass."

## An Effort in Bangkok, Siam

Pastor J. G. Gjording together with Brethren A. P. Ritz and F. W. Detamore are to begin an effort in Bangkok, Siam, the last of May, and naturally it will be right at the most important period when this issue of the "Outlook" reaches its readers. I am very anxious that this effort shall be remembered in prayer by all of our believers. The inhabitants of the city of Bangkok are almost entirely Buddhists, and they do not know of the love of the Saviour, and we should engage in earnest prayer that God will send forth His spirit in a marked way to lead the honest hearted of this great city to listen to God's loving message to them. Pastor Gjording and his fellow workers should be remembered daily by all who pray that God will work to the salvation of those who should listen to the gospel of Christ.

FREDERICK GRIGGS.



# FAR EASTERN DIVISION OUTLOOK



## Four Spiritual Feasts

By FREDERICK GRIGGS

*President, Far Eastern Division*

The biennial meetings of our four Unions are in the past. Three times every year did God bring ancient Israel together to worship Him and to consider the glory and advancement of His kingdom. Likewise these biennial meetings are seasons of worship and reconsecration. I have attended many union meetings in the Homeland and Mission fields, but never better meetings than those of the Far Eastern Division held during the past January, February and March. Many things conspired to this end. The troubles of the world, social, political and economic are bringing added evidence of the fulfillment of the prophecies of the soon coming of the "King of kings and Lord of lords" Christ's admonition, "Be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh," naturally led to a ready response to the earnest appeals of Pastors Spicer, Stevens and Hall who were in attendance at these meetings from the General Conference. God used their labors to the strengthening of faith in the certainty of our movement and to a renewal of personal covenants with God.

A Ministerial Institute was held in connection with each union meeting. The studies given in these institutes were very practical and were earnestly entered into by the workers. The need of a larger evangelism was emphasized and new methods of work recommended. The duty of the evangelist to teach those whom he brings to the faith to work for Christ was made clear. These institutes will certainly increase the efficacy of the ministry and the results of their work.

But the Ministerial Institutes were not the only special features of these union gatherings. The work of the different departments was also given particular consideration. Instruction was given by the Division and Union secretaries, and the instruction was inspirational. Our Educational, Publishing, Sabbath school, Missionary Volunteer and Home

Missionary Departments are certain to be stronger and more effectual in the advance of our church work because of these conventions.

An outstanding feature of the meetings was the large number of workers ordained to the ministry. Nine workers were ordained in the Philippine Union, eight in Japan and six in Korea. Careful consideration was given to the experience and qualifications of each of the candidates for ordination, and it was felt that they were fully prepared for this sacred rite. These ordained ministers will add to the strength of the working force.

During this past biennial period there have been 4541 baptisms in the Division. Ninety-one new churches have been organized bringing our total number of churches up to 377. Our membership at the close of 1932 was 20,098. The reports of baptisms for the first part of 1933 show a substantial gain over those of the first quarter of last year. One local mission says that in the first three months of this year 130 were baptized which was as many as were baptized during the whole year of 1930. One union reports four times as many baptisms during the first quarter of this



*Group of Ordained Ministers in Attendance of the Chosen Union Meeting, Seoul, Korea*

year as during the same period of last year. So our hopes are high that we shall have a larger increase in membership during this present biennial term than we did during the past two years.

One of the interesting features of our union sessions were the items of progress which were given, not only by the workers but by the lay members also. Real miracles were recounted. It will be of interest to here report a few of these. Pastor W. B. Riffel in speaking of the blessings which had come to members of the East Visayan Mission of the Philippine Union in the payment of tithe quoted the words of one brother as follows:

"Since keeping the Sabbath of the Lord and giving a faithful tithe the produce of our farm has always in-

creased.—During our last corn crop when the locusts came through our cornfield we were unable to drive them away, but we gave the matter over to the Lord whose power today is the same as in the days of Daniel. As the Lord caused the mouths of the lions not to harm Daniel, likewise the locusts did not eat our rice and corn. Our neighbors' crops were entirely eaten. Another wonderful thing happened to me regarding my chickens. I was tried by the Lord because I was not mindful of the tithe on the few eggs. For three months my forty hens did not lay a single egg. I remembered my sin and immediately I did my best to return the tithe of the past. Since then the hens are laying eggs a plenty." Many more similar reports were given.

In speaking of the soul-winning work of colporteurs, Pastor R. W. Pearson of Korea told of a colporteur who in connection with his work had organized a Sabbath school of over forty members, and of another colporteur who sent in the good news that nineteen persons began keeping the

Sabbath through his efforts and were calling for a minister to visit them and fully establish and organize them into a church. Our colporteurs are not alone earning a living, they are also winning men and women to Jesus.

The advance of our work in Japan is taking larger and more rapid strides. Pastor A. N. Anderson reported a large interest in a city in the north of one of the large islands where he had been asked by the pastor of another group of Christians to hold a series of meetings in his church and present our faith. On another island another of our workers has had practically the same experience. The students of our boys' school at Naraha have responded to the request of a good-sized company in a nearby city who had begun to read the Bible, to meet with them and explain its teachings. Interests and believers are springing up throughout Japan.

After the union meeting in Singapore, Superintendent Gjording made a visit to the white Rajah of Sarawak, North Borneo, to secure permission for Pastor Munson to do missionary work in certain territory. Earnest prayer

was offered at different times during the union meeting that Brother Gjording might have a successful visit with the Rajah. Pastor Munson who had attempted work in this territory had by command of the government been obliged to withdraw. So when the Rajah kindly received Brother Gjording and not only granted our request to do missionary work in this new field, but offered him other exclusive territory in which to work, we felt that we had further evidence that prayer changes governments as well as individuals, and that this gospel of the kingdom will go to every nation.

Scores of wonderful experiences were recited at these union meetings. God's spirit was with us. Confessions were made, differences were put away, and all the workers went back to their fields with new hearts and courage. In a letter from Dr. G. H. Rue of Seoul, received the other day, he said that never before had he attended such enheartening meetings as were held at the union session in Seoul. God has indeed set His hand to finish the work, not only in the Far Eastern Division, but in all the world. Hasten on glad day!



*Workers at the Chosen Union 1933 Biennial Session*

## Methodist Pastor, Students, Lepers, and Bad Boys Hear the Gospel in Northern Japan

By A. N. ANDERSON

Recently the pastor and deacon of the Methodist church in one of the northern towns in Japan became deeply interested in the subject of the Second Coming of Christ. The interest was awakened by one of the Japanese colporteurs. In response to an invitation from the church officers, the writer gave lectures every evening in the church for six days. There was a good interest on the part of the pastor and members of the church. As we have no worker located near that place, it is hoped that Brother Hayakawa, in Hakodate, can cross the strait and visit

these people occasionally. Later, we received word that another Methodist pastor heard of the lectures and is anxious to study the same great truths.

On two recent trips north I spoke to the students of several middle schools, and a reform school. With Brother Hayakawa I visited a government leper hospital with six hundred inmates. Having an introduction from the Methodist pastor to a member of his church, I spoke to her about the soon coming of Christ. Later, while being shown around by one of the physicians, I found the young woman praying

alone in the Christian chapel. I soon found out the subject of her prayers, for she inquired further about the Second Coming, stating that she had never once so much as heard of it in her own church. I was happy to leave her a copy of the little Japanese book called Present Truth. She was overjoyed to receive literature explaining the subject uppermost in her heart.

We are thankful for these openings and pray that they may be met by workers who can visit the interested ones often.

# Learning and Piety

By W. P. BRADLEY

The education of the youth should not be discouraged. While there are many references in the messages through the Spirit of Prophecy pointing out the dangers in certain kinds of education and warning against them, there is nothing to indicate that the youth should go without education. In fact, the one who has the hope of the Christian should feel resting upon himself the obligation to cultivate his talents to the highest point of usefulness. Broad mental cultivation and spiritual-ity can and should go hand in hand.

The true ideal for the youth is expressed in the words of the Psalmist, "That our sons may be as plants grown up in their youth; that our daughters may be as corner stones, polished after the similitude of a palace" (Ps. 144:12). Here is presented a picture of a plant, with its natural grace, charm and loveliness, sending forth through its fragrance a message of purity and innocence. Next, the figure of a palace building is used, implying sturdy strength beneath a polished exterior. All these ideals may properly be sought in the training of the youth.

John Wycliffe, who laid the foundations for the reformation in England and all Christendom, was a shining example of a cultivated intellect fully yielded and devoted to the service of God. "Wycliffe received a liberal education, and with him the fear of the Lord was the beginning of wisdom. He was noted at college for his fervent piety as well as for his remarkable talents and sound scholarship.... The power of his genius and the extent and thoroughness of his knowledge commanded the respect of both friends and foes." "*Great Controversy*," p. 80. Wycliffe would never have accomplished his great work of Biblical research and translation without the scholastic preparation which made it possible.

Our youth of the Advent movement should seek to develop all their mental resources to the highest possible level. Especially should they gain a thorough mastery of Bible truth along with the fields of history, science and languages, all of which illuminate the Bible and establish us in confidence in its message. In itself the Bible is a source of mental culture of the greatest value. "As a means of intellectual training, the Bible is more effective than any other book, or all other books combined... The greatness of its themes, the dignified simplicity of its utterances, the beauty of its imagery, quicken and uplift the thoughts as nothing else can. No other study can impart such mental power as does the effort to grasp

the stupendous truths of revelation. The mind thus brought into contact with the thoughts of the Infinite cannot but expand and strengthen." "*Education*," p. 124.

High intellectual development combined with deep piety is thus a proper and attainable goal in the life of every young Christian. It is the goal of our Christian schools.

## How the Message Becomes Established in New Centers

By FLAVIANO DALISAY

Early in the year 1928, a carabao vendor attended a series of evangelistic meetings conducted by Pastor Magcalen in Gumaca, Tayabas. After about three weeks of regular attendance, he was convinced of the Sabbath truth and kept it. Just then he left for Lucena and was not heard from until he returned home to Bondo and was found by the colporteurs who made a report to the Central Luzon Conference office. There in his home this lone Sabbath keeper faithfully taught his children, studying the Bible and singing hymns, to which he invited his neighbors. He was able to convince a family of three of the Sabbath truth and together they met in his home for worship and study. For almost a year they were known as the "Sabadistas" in Bondo.

Then two colporteurs came and sold books. They stayed with the first "Sabadista" and instructed him more fully in the truth. Money was plentiful then and the colporteurs had good success. After a couple of weeks the books they sold had won a soul. A former public school teacher decided to keep the Sabbath and, bidden in a dream to join the "Sabadistas", she dared one day to attend their meeting much against the will of her husband. After the study she gave her name to be a member of the Sabbath school. And so the first lone "Sabadista" could now boast of four souls won to the truth aside from his two daughters.

These new believers met Sabbath

after Sabbath and eventually wrote to the Central Luzon Conference for instructions, and for quarterlies and other church supplies. They sent their tithe and offerings to the office the same as any other church. They distributed tracts and other good literature and a fine interest was created of which they wrote to the Conference headquarters. But it was only early last year that two workers were sent there to instruct them more fully in the message and follow up the interest.

The preaching of the message met no opposition. The entire *barrio*, about the size of a fourth class municipality, was warned. Everyone spoke highly of the truths preached from the Word. Gambling and card playing practically ceased. The Catholic chapel lost its worshipers with the exception of three or four women, the "*hermanas*". After a two-months' effort eighteen were baptized and a strong church organized. And what is more interesting, these believers had their chapel finished before they were baptized. Thus the light of the third angel's message now shines brightly at the end of the peninsula of the longest province of Luzon.

While going to General Luna to baptize, I happened to meet on the motor boat a gentleman who was a pharmacist from Mulanay (this is the town which has jurisdiction over the *barrio* of Bondo), who is a close friend of the Bondo Sabbath school superintendent. This was a couple of months ago. The pharmacist remarked to me that he was surprised to see a wonderful change in the life of this friend of his, stating that whereas before he was a heavy drinker, a tobacco addict, and a good serenader, now he does not smoke, does not drink, does not go out at night serenading, does not dance, does not eat pork—a mysterious change! He concluded by saying that it is the kind of religion his own home town needs. Surely, we have the religion that the people need, the only message that changes men's lives; and Mulanay's hope to see the light will soon be realized, for Evangelist Canuto Cara with a Bible worker is definitely planning to enter it with this message. It is very evident that the Lord is pouring His spirit upon this mission field for interests are springing up like grass after the rain. Shall we not pray earnestly for a rich harvest?

## A Year of Steady Progress at Penang

By V. E. HENDERSHOT

We greatly rejoice in the blessings attending the Lord's work in Penang during the year 1932. The work has grown steadily and has been attended by many converts. The medical work started in this city by Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Gardner has given a good

foundation for a strong church of Christ. This "right arm of the message" has won hundreds of friends and has broken down many barriers. Eight years of medical practice in the city has won the respect of European and Asiatic communities alike. During the

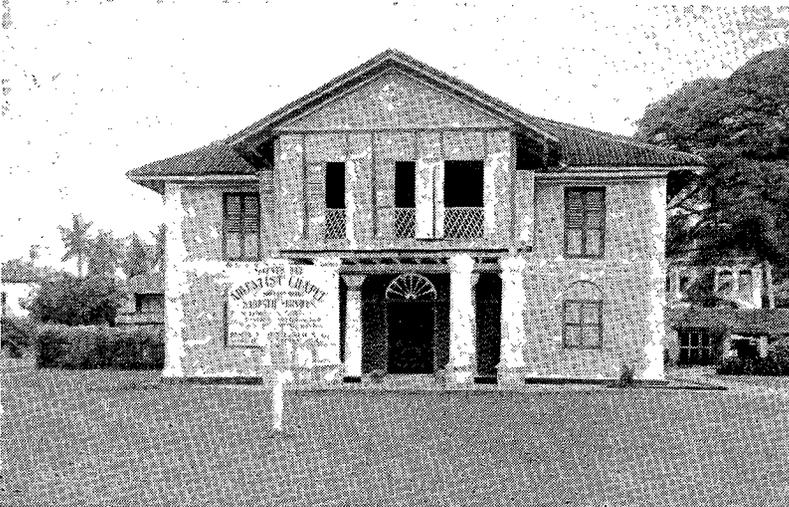


*Company of believers, including twenty-four newly baptized in 1932, who witnessed the baptism in the open sea at Tanjong Tokong, Penang, on December 24, 1932, Pastor Hendershot officiating, assisted by Brethren C. P. Anchant and Ng Hong Boon.*

1932 Harvest Ingathering Campaign we derived over \$2,000.00 (Straits) in contributions, much of which was given by the European community. The Hindus also helped us greatly. The Chinese, according to their proverbial generosity, contributed remarkably for a slump year.

At the beginning of 1932 we had an even fifty members. At the close of the year we had eighty-five. Our baptisms during the year were twenty-four souls,—or as I like to put it,—two more groups of twelve disciples for Jesus called from this "utmost part of the earth" to witness for the risen and returning Lord. Among

these twenty-four new Adventists are eighteen former heathen people:—two Baptists—two Methodists; and a high caste Hindu and wife. Most of the young people have been educated in English and have finished the equivalent of the academy in American education. Each one has a story to tell of his conversion, and could you but drop into a prayer meeting at the Mission Clinic on any Tuesday night, you could hear prayers and testimonies which would stir young hearts. In Penang we cease not to thank God for this harvest. Two of the young lady converts are connected with the Malayan Seminary in Singapore as



*The home of the newly organized Penang S. D. A. English Church at 23, Northam Road, Penang, S. S.*

teachers; two of the young men are this week entering the colporteur field as permanent canvassers; and three or four of the others are taking up nursing this year either at Shanghai or Manila. When we stop to think that a year ago these splendid young folks were without God and hope in the world, and that today they are in line with this message, our hearts are turned to praise.

On the evening of January 2, 1933. Pastor W. W. R. Lake organized the second church in Penang, "The S. D. A. English Church", with a charter membership of twenty members. May it prosper under the mighty hand of God!

The J. M. V. Society at Penang has grown in one year from five to forty members. Today we have twenty-eight Friends and nine Companions and by June we shall have the first Comrades in Malaya. At the last Investiture we had an attendance of over sixty. The "Straits Echo" the next day gave us a splendid write-up.

The factors contributing to this success in Penang are the unity of all the workers, faithful house to house work, and the enthusiasm of these clean young people. Brother Ng Hong Boon has for years shown that God is calling him to the work of the gospel ministry. His work has been signally blessed of God. Brother C. P. Anchant is all "afire" in his new field in Penang. He is making very valuable contacts with the English-speaking families of the island. Dr. and Mrs. Gardner's great devotion to the health of our city has given us ready entrance into many of the best homes in the settlement. Miss Moore and the corps of nurses at the Sanitarium and the Clinic are doing valuable work.

May God be praised for what has been accomplished, and as we undertake great things for Him in 1933 we are confident that He will more than meet our expectations. Our membership has steadily increased; our tithes and offerings have steadily increased; and our courage is steadily increasing. We crave a place in the prayers of God's people for the conversion of the "much people in this city."

### Special Notice

Any worker having a copy of "The Call of the World's Task" by Murray, and willing to lend same, please communicate with the Ministerial Association, Box 7, Baguio, Philippine Islands who will put you in touch with the worker who wishes to borrow this book in order to complete the 1919 Ministerial Reading Course.

D. J. WHEELER.

# Departmental Page

# JUNIOR CORNER

## Sabbath School Progress

I am happy to report that there is a keen interest being taken in the Sabbath School Workers' Training Course by all our missionaries throughout the Far Eastern Division. The twelve lessons of this course are found in the "Sabbath School Worker" for 1933 and the one small book of 220 pages, "The Making of a Teacher" by Martin G. Brumbaugh, —special price through your Book and Bible House only 95¢ gold.

If any have not yet started this course, there is ample time even yet to finish before the end of the year.

"Progressive Sabbath Schools provide for the Training Course."

"Efficient teachers take it."

## CHOSEN UNION:

Chosen now has 8,000 Sabbath School members. This is almost 300% of their church membership. Let us thank God for this splendid increase in the Sabbath schools of Chosen. Think what an opportunity to teach these dear people the wonderful truths of the Bible! Let each one who reads these words do all in his power to get his friends and neighbors to join our Sabbath school. Remember "the Sabbath school is the heart of the church."

## MALAYAN UNION MISSION:

There has been no slacking up in Sabbath School Offerings in Malaya, but instead quite a decided increase. This is due very largely to the Investment Fund. Boys and girls and even fathers and mothers are alive to this method of raising money. Even the boys and girls have baked cakes, made candy, sugared peanuts, sold bananas, caught stray cows and goats, performed many kinds of work, raised chickens, turkeys, sold Sabbath eggs, and done various other things to swell this fund.

BLANCHE E. GRIGGS.

## A Threefold Training

The Philippine Union College is entering the field during its vacation season with aggressive plans for the soliciting of students and attractive literature advertising the school. The following statement about the nature of the college is applicable to all four training schools in the Division.

"The Philippine Union College stands for a trained mind capable of meeting life's hardest problems, a skillful hand that is master of a trade, and a strong heart that stands for Christianity and for Christian citizenship. Here we have our farm and our shops in order to help the students finance themselves through school by manual labor and to impress them with the idea that calloused hands and a trained brain

in the same person are not a disgrace but rather a sign of good sense and practicality.

"We believe that if a man sits around in a classroom for four years and theorizes, he will be only a theorist for life. Instead, if we have him theorize half his time and work half, the result will be a happy combination of the ideal and the practical. Come and enroll in a school which will make you physically fit, morally strong, and mentally alert to meet the stern realities of life."

## Malayan Volunteer Army Advances

	1929-30	1931-32
Number of Societies	7	14
M. V. Membership	183	296
Bible Readings	671	1339
Missionary Visits	1999	3875
Friend, Companion, etc. pins	0	124
Bible Year completed	13	64
M. V. Reading Course completed	1	176

—*Biennial Report, Fordyce Detamore.*

## News Notes of the Laymen's Missionary Movement

The fields are already thinking "Ingathering" for 1933. Malaya has set its campaign date for July 15 to August 31, providing supplies can be secured for this early date.

Word has just been received (April 8) that Pastor R. M. Milne, of the South China Union, has accepted the call to the leadership of the Laymen's Missionary Movement in the Malayan Union. He will also have charge of the Publishing Department. It is hoped that he will begin his duties early in July.

During the absence of Pastor R. S. Watts, on furlough in America, Pastor Oberg, the Superintendent of the Chosen Union, will lead the Home Missionary forces of that field.

The plan to enlist and train 1,000 self-supporting lay Bible workers in the Far Eastern Division has met with a most hearty response in the respective unions, the Philippine Union adopting a goal of 500, Japan 100, Korea 320, and Malaya 100, making a total of 1,020. What an army of trained laymen this will make to supplement the evangelistic labors of our regular ministers and mission Bible workers!

J. H. MCEACHERN.

## Vessels—2 Tim. 2:20, 21

Vessels are often used to contain a valuable substance and to convey it from one place to another. They are made of many different materials. Some are of wood, paper, cloth, iron, copper, brass, zinc, lead, glass, clay, porcelain; and in the chemical laboratories there is an acid so strong that it eats glass so it must be kept in a wax bottle. The most precious substance in the world is the plan of salvation. God has trusted this treasure not to a material vessel but to the human vessel alone. The followers of Christ are the containers and carriers of the gospel message. They are to be constantly filled and emptied, and again refilled so as to be ready to minister to those who are in need.

How one longs, when he comes thirsty to a well of pure, cool water and finds no bucket, for a vessel of some kind in which to draw the water. A well is useless without a bucket; the proper combination is—a bucket and a well. Or how we wish, as we pass empty-handed through a field of wild berries, for a basket in which to carry them home for the family. Baskets and berries go together also. What would we do without the vessels? How we would miss the bath tubs, the fruit dishes, the pie pans, the vases, and the ink bottles if they were taken away. We have learned to depend on these things. So does God depend on us.

Sometimes people buy dishes for purely decorative purposes and put them in conspicuous places in their houses for ornaments. In Japan I saw a pair of giant vases worth 3,000 yen. But there are no decorative vessels in the Lord's house. They are all "prepared unto every good work." It is true that some are for the more public uses, others for the humbler purposes. There are vessels "to honour, and some to dishonour." A vessel to be useful must be humble, willing, glad to fill the need for which it was designed.

In the time of Peter there was no preserving of foods by canning. In fact, Peter did not refer to the use of vessels for storing things for an indefinite period of time. He surely spoke of the every-day, constant use of vessels in the service of the Master.

Vessels are usually stamped with the mark of the owner or maker. Manufacturers who are proud of their dishes like to place their mark upon them. As the Lord prepares a vessel for His service and His house, He places the mark upon it. This vessel then becomes well-known and, as it grows in value and usefulness, is a strong recommendation of the Maker.

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### NEWS NOTES

Miss Nora Atkins of Ohio reached Manila June 1 aboard the S. S. "President Wilson". Miss Atkins comes to connect with the Division office staff.

Pastor Wiedemann and family, and Professor and Mrs. Claud E. Thurston left the Philippines recently on furlough.

Elder and Mrs. E. M. Adams, returning from furlough, reached Manila May 4. These workers have served the interests of the cause in the Philippine Islands in various capacities since 1912, and are at present taking up work in the West Visayan Mission. Pastor Adams' address will be P. O. Box 271, Iloilo.

Two Missionary families left the Chosen Union about the middle of June, namely Pastor and Mrs. W. E. Gillis, and daughter Bernice; and Pastor and Mrs. Ralph W. Pearson. The latter are travelling via Europe and are scheduled to pass thru Manila July 4.

Returning from furlough spent in Germany, Pastor Ernst Bahr and family reached Korea in mid-May for their second term of service.

### Publishing Department News Notes

From all parts of this far-flung Division there come to us cheering notes of the advance of the Colporteur Army. We glean the following from recent letters:

#### KOREA

Pastor R. W. Pearson, leading the colporteur forces in Korea, writes:

"One of the most interesting things to me throughout the past year has been the tithe campaign which we decided to put on inside of our colporteur department. During 1931 we received 422.00 yen, while in 1932 it was over 850.00 yen. More than 100% gain. Another thing that makes us happy is the fact that while we have 50 colporteurs we do not have any debts."

#### JAPAN

E. J. Kraft, captain of the Bookman Army of Japan, writes under date of March 22, "We have finished three colporteur institutes and at these meetings we have trained 28 colporteurs, eight in Kobe, ten in Kyushu, and ten in Tokyo. There are three more institutes yet to be held, one in Tohoku, one in Hokkaido, and one at the school. During the summer months we hope to have over 50 colporteurs working in Japan. What a great thing that will be compared with what we have had until now."

#### MALAYA

While we have no recent report from Malaya, yet we know that E. J. Johanson and L. I. Bowers from the Publishing House end, and Ng Hock Thye, the one lone local Field Missionary Secretary in all that great union, are pushing the literature ministry with all their might. Let all readers of the "Far Eastern Division Outlook" pray for a speedy revival of the colporteur work in Malaya. "PRAYER CHANGES THINGS."

#### PHILIPPINES

From our experienced veteran leader, Pastor M. F. Wiedemann, comes the good word: "We are having a good institute here in Cebu, and the Lord is blessing. There are fifteen new recruits in attendance, and most of them seem to be doing real well... From here we go to Mindanao. Brother Somoso informs me that he has twenty-eight names (prospective colporteurs) on his list."

J. H. MCEACHERN.

### News From Japan

Five new members were baptized by the writer at the close of our recent Union session. Another baptism was conducted a little later by Pastor Kuniya in Tokyo.

Pastor A. Koch reported two baptisms in Hakodate as he returned from the Union meeting. These sisters were baptized in the sea although it was very cold winter weather with an abundance of ice and snow on the beach.

The Tokyo Sanitarium-Hospital is enjoying a very good patronage with every room occupied much of the time. As a matter of fact some folks have been turned away because of the lack of space. Many surgical cases have been reported thus far this year. The interior of the building has been repainted recently.

Miss Peck has recently returned from a trip thru the district of Tohoku. Some of the young people from that section plan to enter the nurses' class this coming fall. Miss Peck reported a good interest wherever our medical work was presented.

Pastor Yamamoto reports five baptisms in the Hokkaido district in February,—one in Sapporo and four in Otaru. Aggressive plans have been laid by the committee in the Hokkaido district for the year. At present Pastor Koch and Pastor Yamamoto are visiting interested people in the northern part of that field.

Pastor S. Ogura and the writer are just finishing a two-weeks' visit in the Kyushu district. We have visited each church and company. Revival meetings were conducted in each place. The Young Peoples work and the Home Missionary interests have been emphasized. Pastor Kajiyama, the director, was with us throughout the trip. Prospects are bright for the year in Kyushu. The Moji church has money in hand with which to erect a church building, and a piece of land will likely be purchased soon. We will be glad to see a church building in this important city.

Following our round of meetings in Kyushu we go to Chugoku for similar meetings. We hope to reach the other districts before the summer.

Brother Kajino who has been in Formosa for nearly two years engaged in colporteur work has been invited to act as field secretary in the Kansai and Chugoku districts, filling the vacancy made by Brother Maeda's resignation.

The pupils of the Tokyo compound church-school rendered a splendid and much appreciated program the evening of March 28. A program packed full with delights and surprises including music, recitations, a rhythmic band and songs was enjoyed by all present.

Miss Vivian Voth reached Japan last June. Her efforts in the school are greatly appreciated. It would be hard to find a group of children who are more enthusiastic about their school. One day each month the children have been taken to inspect the work in some factory. A large printing establishment, a soap factory, a paper mill, the Ford auto plant, the Victor phonograph factory have thus far been visited.

The enrollment of the school is eleven. These schools under the direction of teachers who believe the message and who are training the children to make God first in life are a wonderful blessing.

The 1933 Japanese Harvest Ingathering magazine will be printed before long. Orders aggregating several thousand have been received from other countries. We trust that fields in the Far Eastern Division where there are Japanese people will send in their orders early.

V. T. ARMSTRONG.